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SUBJECT: VISIT OF US TRUST COMPANY OFFICERS TO AMMAN

REF: AMMAN 470, STATE 22538

1. EMBASSY HAS THUS FAR ARRANGED FOLLOWING PARTIAL AND TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF APPOINTMENTS FOR PEDERSEN AND O'LEARY:

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20--7:00 P.M., DR. NURI SHAFIQ, MANAGEMENT CONSULTANT TO PRIME MINISTER (AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 21--9:00 A.M., HUSSEIN KASIM, DEPUTY GOVERNOR OF CENTRAL BANK

11:00 A.M., SULEIMAN AL-DEIRI, UNDERSECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF FINANCE

1:00 P.M.--LUNCHEON HOSTED BY AMBASSADOR PICKERING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22--9:30 A.M. FARHI OBAID, DIRECTOR OF BUDGET DEPARTMENT

EMBASSY STILL IN PROCESS OF ARRANGING CALLS AT ARAB BANK MARWAN QASSEM LOCAL AMERICAN BRANCH BANKS (CHASE AND/OR FNCB), AND WITH BASIL

JARDANEH WHO WILL BE DIRECTOR OF GOJ PENSION FUND. FULL APPOINTMENT SCHEDULE WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN FINALIZED.

2. REGARDING DR. O'LEARY'S OFFER TO MEET WITH LOCAL GROUPS (PARA 5, STATE 22538), USIS WOULD LIKE TO PROGRAM O'LEARY ON FEBRUARY 22 AT 7:00 P.M. AUDIENCE WOULD BE HIGH LEVEL UNIVERSITY AND GOVERNMENT CONTACTS DEALING WITH ECONOMIC AFFAIRS. SUBJECT COULD BE, FOR EXAMPLE (A) TRENDS IN US ECONOMY: HOW US ECONOMY UNCLASSIFIED

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EFFECTS OTHER NATIONAL ECONOMIES; (B) WHERE US ECONOMY IS HEADED;

OR (C) ALTERNATE APPROACHES TO A SOUND ECONOMY. ALSO, GOJ
IS COSIDERING POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOURSE IN AMMAN AND
INCLUSION OF SOME CONSIDERATION OF FUNCTION OF SUCH INSTITUTIONS
EITHER AS SEPARATE SUBJECT OR IN BROADER TOPIC WOULD BE WELL RECEIVED

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